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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Aaron RAPHEL et al.
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FOR : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HANDLING
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GROUP ART UNIT : 1734
EXAMINER : Jerry Lorengo

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 4, 2003, Applicants submit the following remarks.

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions:

Invention I - claims 1 to 13; and
Invention II - claims 14 to 43.

Accordingly, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the claims of Invention II, i.e., claims 14 to 43.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

FEES

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,
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